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### AFFIDAVIT

Today, Friday 26th April 1946, there appeared before myself:

Evert van Essen, 1st Class Inspector of Folice in the Netherlands Indies,

Member of the Netherlands Wer Grimes Investigation Team,

at:

Nee Soon Camp at Singapore

a person who, on enquiry, declares himself to be:

Name:

AMTR BIN SARODIN

Civilian Occupation:

Farmer.

Address:

Nee Soon Camp, Singapore.

Mandailing, Padang Sidempoean.

(Sibolga Residency).

5. Can you give any information concerning acts of violence committed against yourself or others, which you have vitnessed?

After the capitulation of the Netherlands Indies, I worked as a farmer at Mandailing, Pedang Sidempocan. One day in the year 1942, I cannot remember the exact date, whilst I was sitting at a wayside stall having a drink, I was suddenly arrested by Japs, put on a lorry with three other coolies and taken to Sibolga. From there I was taken to Tandjong Balei, where I received training to become a carpenter. Since the food was so bad and we were suffering from hunger, after half a year, I along with ten others managed to escape to Belawan Deli. There I was recaptured and taken to Singapore as a coolie. At Singapore, Tandjong Pagar, I again received a three months' training in rope-making and ferrying Indian boats (tongkangs). Instruction was given by two Japanese instructors named: Funatshu and Tiutiia. One day they were angry because f.500 was alleged to have been stolen. Each took off a rubber shoe, and then all the pupils, - about 150, were beaten. I, too, was hit several times with the shoe in my face by Funatshu, so that I had a great deal of pain and got a very swellen face. Furthermore, we had to remain kneeling from 3 o'clock in the afternoon until midnight.

#### VERIFICATION BY THE WITNESS

I, the undersigned Amir bin Sarodin , mentioned above, hereby declare that I was led in and heard oneath by the interrogator, who informed me that the eath taken by me was still binding upon me, and aving heard my above sworn statement read to me in my native language and shown to me, I declare that it is a true and accurate statement.

Neo Soon Camp 26th April 1946

The witness abovenamed:

Sd/ Amir bin Sarodin

The above statements have been signed in my presence and this official record has been truly drawn up and subsequently signed by myself, the interrogator.

On 26th April 1946 at Mee Soon Camp, Singapore

The abovenamed interrogator:

Sd/ E. von Essen

Cortified a true copy:

Head of the Notherlands War Crimes Investigation Team Singapore:

Sd/ J. G. Benders.

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#### CERTIFICATE

The undersigned, CPARLES JONGEMEEL, Ceptain R.N.I.A., Head of the War Crimos Section of NETHERLANDS FORCES INTELLIGE OF SERVICE (NEFIS) being first duly sworn on oath deposes and states that the annexed Dutch documents, entitled:

Affidavit of AMIR bin Sarodin, coolie, dated 26 April 1946.

concerning illtreatment of "romusha" (forced coolies) by the Japanese authorities in the coolie-comps in Malaya and neighborhood,

have been taken from the official records of the NEFIS.

SIGNATURE :

Sd/ Ch. Jongeneel

BATAVIA, 23 July 1946.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, K.A. de WEERD, LL.D., first Lieutenant R.N.I.A., Senior Official attached to the Office of the Attorney - General, N.E.I.

Sd/ K. A. de Weard

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一九四三年一四和十七年一大日時、尽以和八正確十日時、尽り、一九四三年一四和十七年一大日時、尽情大後、初八ついい、三十七八丁二、「至かり」「日本日報」をでいる、一月、一日日時、一月日日日日八、他、看三村、一下行いり日本、千万日月

三人苦力上共三台省物目動車三来をら、「一京は一郎三十十八部、京然日本人達」張楠な、他、とるとて、「私が路管、屋台店」時掛ケー一杯」、東京田本十十年一次日、平、正部十日田、万

部湾(音話)及ビ土屋(古話)と云フ三人/ビ荷物船探然、習事を見をするとて言う

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他に三時カラと果た中近路ノテララネバナリスセンデンク。大麦ナ前ミラ感で顔が大麦腫レフンタ。更ら秋々八午けして、サレフンタ。あて水、船津、靴子顔、数回のカレターデ、り、蓮、鏡、瓢、下、ソレカラ全生徒一約百五十人が殿 打っとうトカー理由下、彼等が非常の一切いりとう。 両人共 片足は 日本人小望を被先生りる教予受けてとう。 成日、立のの自ざ意

本意人,依比證明

且正確ナル陳述ナルフトラ音明又。 萬年とうとル上私、之が真実養とうとし、可又私、前記官事陳述が我、母國語ニテ私三通とり、且又和、前記官者陳述が我、母國語ニテ私三通八十七八官並言が尚不取予初末又ルモーナルと目私二生紀元前以前日上前問ところルコトラ為三字明ス、而シテ同就問者、私下署名、前記「テトル」と、公司、

一九四大年四月二十六日「イエ・スーン・ヤヤンツ」」「九四大年四月二十六日「イエ・スーン・ヤヤンツ」」「江京十四月近十几万万十日月前人、

一九四大年四月ニナ大日於壽嘉夜「子モスーン、チャノル、八个日月的ヶ部問者一依り見失一作製を己然に後写者るさころんそより、前記陳述書の、宋面前、於子署名セラレクルモノニシテ本調書目前記を選人(署名)「アミール・ビン・井口ディン」

前記部間者(思る及)「ヒ・ファシェッセン」「九四大年四月ニナ大日於新嘉坡「ネエスーン、キャンプ

幣本正確十二月證明人,

(署名)「丁・午、ベンデルス」新書政和關歐等犯罪調查園長